
State Water Resources Control Board

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**SUBJECT: INITIATION OF REVIEW OF PROPOSED UNIFORM
WATER RECYCLING CRITERIA FOR INDIRECT POTABLE
REUSE THROUGH SURFACE WATER AUGMENTATION**

Dear Dr. Lim:

My letter today is intended to initiate the external peer review.

Included with this letter are the following:

1. February 1, 2016, memorandum from Michael McKibben, State Water Resources Control Board, Division of Drinking Water (DDW) to me. The subject of the memorandum is "Request for an External Peer Review of Proposed Uniform Water Recycling Criteria for Indirect Potable Reuse Through Surface Water Augmentation," transmitting the following:
 - Attachment 1: Plain English summary of the Draft Regulations
 - Attachment 2: Description of scientific assumptions, findings, and conclusions to review
 - Attachment 3: List of Participants
 - Attachment 4: Excerpts of California Water Code section 13560 et seq.
 - Attachment 5: Draft Regulations (version January 20, 2016)
2. January 7, 2009, Supplement to the Cal/EPA Peer Review Guidelines.

Comments on the Foregoing

1. You have been sent a copy of the February 1, 2016, request memorandum by Dr. Dan McGrath during the solicitation process for reviewer candidates conducted by the University of California, Berkeley Institute of the Environment.
2. Attachment 2 to the request memorandum provides focus for the review. I ask that you address all topics, as expertise allows, in the order listed. Immediately following the assumption, finding, or conclusion for each of the ten subjects in Attachment 2, you'll find a reference to the section of the proposed regulations that would bring about a requirement

pertaining to the applicable subject. For example, in parentheses following the first assumption, finding, or conclusion, you'll find "Ref §60320.302. Advanced Treatment Criteria." This refers to Section 60320.302 of the proposed regulations, along with the section's title. The proposed regulations are provided in Attachment 5. Attachment 4 provides excerpts from the California Water Code. The Water Code excerpts are not a subject of your review, but are included for your convenience and background, since sections of the Water Code are referenced in the February 2016 memorandum and Attachment 1.

3. The January 7, 2009, Supplement – you received this earlier when I approved you as a reviewer. I am sending it again to make certain that you have it. In part, it provides guidance to ensure the review is kept confidential through its course. The Supplement notes reviewers are under no obligation to discuss their comments with third-parties after reviews have been submitted. We recommend they do not. All outside parties are provided opportunities to address a proposed regulatory action through a well-defined regulatory process. Please direct third parties to me.

Questions about the review, or material, should be for clarification, in writing – email is fine, and addressed to me. My responses will be in writing also. DDW should not be contacted.

Please send your reviews to me on April 29, 2016, not before. I will subsequently forward all reviews to Michael McKibben with Curriculum Vitae for each reviewer. All this information will be posted at the appropriate program website.

Your acceptance of this review assignment is most appreciated.

Sincerely,



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